

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota libraries and librarians are stronger because of Dorothy Liegl's leadership and dedication, which she has performed with grace, integrity, generosity, a strong sense of humor, and in a spirit of true community betterment for 36 years; and,

Whereas, In 1972, Dorothy began her professional career at the South Dakota State Library as a cataloger, and held positions as Technical Services Librarian, Library Development Program Director, Deputy State Librarian, and was appointed State Librarian in 2004, a position she held until December 2007, when she assumed the position of Public Library Coordinator in Library Development; and,

Whereas, Dorothy has been recognized by her peers and awarded the South Dakota Library Association (SDLA) Librarian of the Year in 1984, the SDLA Distinguished Service Award in 1999, and the American Library Association Intellectual Freedom Award in 1998. She has been a leader in library development on both regional and national levels, serving as SDLA President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary, and as Mountain Plains Library Association President, Vice-President, and Secretary; and,

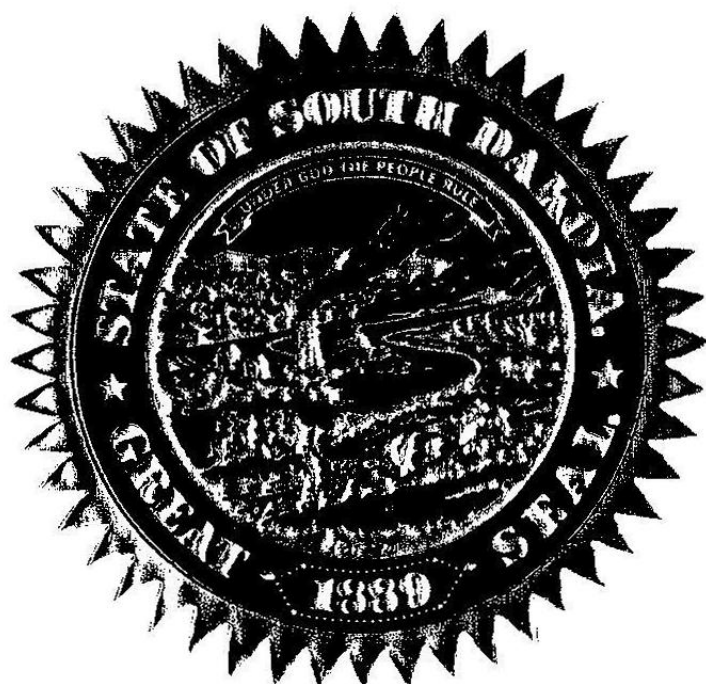
Whereas, Dorothy initiated the Library Training Institute, which offers training for public librarians to successfully run a small to medium size public library; was instrumental in the development of the Hands on Partnership for Science, Literature, and Art; and implemented a state grant to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation providing more than one million dollars in equipment and training for public libraries throughout the state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Dorothy retired on October 8, 2008, and her friends, family, and co-workers from across the state of South Dakota will gather on October 15, 2008, to honor and recognize this outstanding South Dakotan for her contributions to state government:

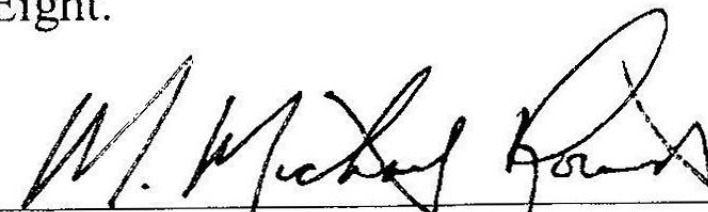
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 15, 2008, as

DOROTHY LIEGL DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State